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In re the Application of: Hiroyuki TAKAKURA et al.

Serial No.:09/777,870

ATTN: BOX MISSING PARTS

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

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May 14, 2001

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated March 14, 2001, enclosed for filing is an Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified patent application.

Also enclosed is our check in the amount of \$1,110.00, for the government filing fee of \$710.00, \$270.00 for multiple dependent claims, \$130.00 for filing the late Declaration. In the event that any additional fees are due with this paper, please charge Deposit Account No. 01-2340. This paper is filed in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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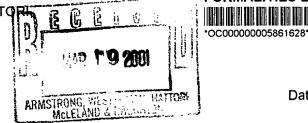
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$270.
 - \$270 for multiple dependent claim surcharge.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1110.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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